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MEMORANDUM FOR THE HONORABLE CASPAR W. WEINBERGER
The Secretary of Defense

THE HONORABLE WILLIAM FRENCH SMITH
The Attorney General

THE HONORABLE WILLIAM J. CASEY
The Director of Central Intelligence

GENERAL DAVID C. JONES
The Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff

SUBJECT: National Security Study Directive (NSSD) 2-82
Detecting and Countering the Foreign Intelligence
Threat to the United States

The President has directed that US policies, capabilities, and organization for countering hostile intelligence activities directed against the US and its interests be reviewed and that a draft NSDD, Detecting and Countering the Foreign Intelligence Threat to the United States, be developed for NSC consideration and Presidential decision. This review will provide the basis for other decisions for implementation as well.

This effort will establish the objectives, policies, required capabilities, organizational relationships, and resource priorities which in turn will guide the future efforts of departments and agencies in countering the wide range of intelligence collection techniques and activities by which hostile intelligence services threaten our security.

Responsibilities for countering the hostile threat in its totality are shared by a number of departments and agencies and involve a variety of efforts including counterintelligence activities, operational and communications security programs, and personnel, physical and document security measures. For example, Executive Order 12333 establishes that the Director,

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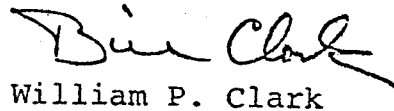
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Federal Bureau of Investigation conducts and coordinates counterintelligence activities within the US, while the Director of Central Intelligence conducts and coordinates counterintelligence activities outside the United States.

In accordance with NSDD-2, the Director of Central Intelligence will direct a study of US capabilities and requirements to meet the threat and will chair an interagency group which will conduct this review. This group shall include the Secretary of Defense, the Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs, the Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation, the Director, National Security Agency, the Director, Defense Intelligence Agency, and the Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff, as well as others that the Director of Central Intelligence may choose. The attached National Security Study Directive (NSSD 2-82) provides guidelines for this study and review.

The review should be completed not later than June 15, 1982. An outline of the study should be provided to my office by March 1, 1982.

FOR THE PRESIDENT:


William P. Clark

Attachment

National Security Study Directive 2-82

cc: The Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation
The Director, Defense Intelligence Agency
The Director, National Security Agency

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